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1. POST SERIOUSLY QUESTIONS WISDOM OF DEPARTMENT OF STATE BECOMING INVOLVED IN SUPPLYING PUBLIC WITH LISTS OF DOCTORS OVERSEAS AS PROPOSED REFTEL. AMERICAN EXPRESS HAS RECENTLY SENT THIS POST A DIRECTLY ENTITLED U.S. CERTIFIED DOCTORS ABROAD, TO WHICH INQUIRERS MIGHT APPROPRIATELY BE REFERRED.

2. AS PREVIOUSLY EXPERIENCED WITH CONSULAR LIST OF LAWYERS IN PAKISTAN, WE CAN ENVISAGE ONLY PROBLEMS FROM AMCIT TRAVELERS WHO BELIEVE ANY SUCH DEPARTMENT-PROVIDED LIST IS AN ENDORSEMENT OF THE PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF THOSE LISTED, AS WELL AS FROM LOCAL PROFESSIONAL BODIES OBJECTING TO THE EXISTENCE OF SUCH FOREIGN-SPONSORED LISTS (TO SAY NOTHING OF INDIVIDUAL DOCTORS OUTRAGED BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT ON IT).

3. IF ENGLISH-LANGUAGE COMPETENCE IS THE PRIMARY CONCERN OF SUCH A LISTING, POST ADVISES THAT MEDICINE IS AN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE PROFESSION IN PAKISTAN AND ANY DOCTOR TRAVELERS ARE LIKELY TO ENCOUNTER CAN GET ALONG IN ENGLISH. WE CANNOT RECOMMEND ANY OF

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THEM AND WOULD NOT LIKE TO HAVE AMCIT TOURISTS SHOWING UP HERE WITH A LIST OF LOCAL DOCTORS OBTAINED IN WASHINGTON WHICH PURPORTS EVEN TO LIST DOCTORS PHYSICALLY PRESENT IN PESHAWAR OR ITS DISTRICT, AS DOCTORS HERE MOVE ABOUT AND EMIGRATE WITH BEWILDERING RAPIDITY..
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